

# Town of Los Altos Hills

## City Council Regular Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 27, 2008  
Council Chambers, 26379 Fremont Road

### CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Jones called the City Council Regular Meeting to order at 6:42p.m. in the Council Chambers at Town Hall.

Present: Mayor Craig A.T. Jones, Vice Mayor Jean Mordo, Councilmember Breene Kerr and Councilmember Mike O'Malley  
Absent: Councilmember Mike O'Malley, Councilmember Dean Warshawsky (Councilmembers O'Malley and Warshawsky joined the meeting at 7:10 pm and participated in the Open Session)  
Staff: City Manager Carl Cahill; City Engineer/Public Works Director Richard Chiu, Finance Director Nick Pegueros, Planning Director Debbie Pedro, Parks and Recreation Supervisor Eric Christensen, City Attorney Steve Mattas, and City Clerk Karen Jost

Council adjourned to Closed Session at 6:43 p.m.

### CLOSED SESSION

#### CLOSED SESSION: CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

(pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8)

Property: APN#182-21-003

Agency Negotiator: Carl Cahill and Steve Mattas

Negotiating Parties: Town of Los Altos Hills and Jurvetson

Under Negotiation: Disposition and payment of terms

### PUBLIC SESSION

Council reconvened to Open Session at 7:10 p.m.

City Attorney Steve Mattas reported out of Closed Session: The City Council had directed staff to prepare an appraisal related to the subject property.

Councilmember Warshawsky abstained from participation in the Closed Session.  
Councilmember O'Malley was absent and did not participate in the Closed Session

MOTION SECONDED AND CARRIED: Moved by Mordo, seconded by O'Malley and passed unanimously to limit comments from the floor to two minutes.

## APPOINTMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

### 1. Appointment to Standing Committees

#### A. Appointment to the Emergency Communications Committee (3 vacancies)

MOTION SECONDED AND CARRIED: Moved by Mordo, seconded by Warshawsky and passed unanimously to appoint Andy Fawcett for appointment to the Standing Emergency Communications Committee for a term of four years.

#### B. Appointment to the Environmental Design and Protection Committee (2 vacancies)

MOTION SECONDED AND CARRIED: Moved by O'Malley, seconded by Mordo and passed unanimously to appoint Neela Shukla to the Standing Environmental Design and Protection Committee for a term of four years

## CONSENT CALENDAR

Items Removed: Agenda item #4 (Finance Director Pegueros), Agenda Item #5 (Pathways Committee Chair Ginger Summit), Agenda Item #6 (Councilmember Warshawsky)

MOTIONED SECONDED AND CARRIED: Moved by O'Malley, seconded by Mordo and passed unanimously to approve the remainder of items on the consent calendar; specifically:

2. Review of Disbursements: February 2008 – \$895,970.47
3. Award of Certificate of Commendation to Nicholas Paul Saviano, Eagle Scout, Boy Scouts of America, Troop 33

Items Removed:

### 4. Approval of Mid-Year Budget Adjustments

Finance Director Pegueros explained the purpose of the item before Council was to memorialize from an auditing and accounting perspective the prior actions of the City Council. On an annual basis, management presents the City Council with a recommended resolution to adjust the City Council adopted budget for the current fiscal year. Pegueros noted that the Council had approved specials projects and programs over the course of the past several months; most notable, the Capital Improvement Program items adopted by the City Council on December 13, 2007. The approved appropriations included funding for three large projects that would further the Town's goals to improve recreational amenities available to residents. These included: \$1,200,000 for improvements to the Little League field; \$880,000 matching funds for the restoration of Westwind Barn; and, \$355,000 for pathway expansion projects.

Pegueros reviewed the staff report before Council that detailed the budget adjustments and fund balance projections for FY2008.

Mayor Jones queried the appropriations noted for Westwind Barn and asked what extent they were duplicative of the \$880,000 matching funds approved by the City Council in December. Vice Mayor Mordo explained that the appropriations were made prior to the December hearing with the exception of the sewer expense. Pegueros concurred and offered that the iteming regarding funding for the sewer connection was responsive to a private sewer line project under development that would afford the opportunity for the Town to connect the facility to the Town's sanitary sewer system.

Pegueros clarified that the staff report did request City Council authorization to remove the Supporters' matching funds requirement to the appropriation for Westwind Barn. This would allow the Town to move forward with public safety improvements to stabilize the facility. Following the December meeting, management had received information that the oldest part of the Barn had been constructed of unreinforced masonry and collapse prevention improvements were being proposed to stabilize the facility. All improvements to the Barn would be presented to the City Council for their approval.

In response to a Council question regarding any appropriations that were not spent on projects that had been identified and approved, Pegueros noted that expenses would be recorded through June 30<sup>th</sup> and appropriations that had not been spent on the projects would be "earmarked" as an unrestricted reserve fund balance. The City Council would have the authority to redistribute the funds, but they would be kept as a separate line item in the budget.

Mayor Jones noted that the mid-year budget adjustment item before Council was a documentation that reflected the reality of actions taken by the Council during the budget year. Jones advised Council that a Study Session with staff had been scheduled for April to review the Town's fiscal health, including deferred maintenance items relative to the Town's infrastructure. The Study Session was in addition to Council's standard budget review sessions.

Council discussion ensued regarding the removal of the matching funds contingency on the appropriation for Westwind Barn. There was no Council consensus to remove the contingency of the 1:1 matching funds from the Supporters of Westwind Barn as a requirement for the \$880,000 appropriation and the item as presented in the staff report was excluded from the Council approval of the mid-year adjustment.

Pegueros explained that it would be necessary to amend the budget adjustment detail for the Westwind Barn CIP to reflect the Council's previous approval of \$109,000 for the engineering design work.

**MOTION SECONDED AND CARRIED:** Moved by Mordo, seconded by Kerr and passed unanimously to approve the mid-year budget as presented with the following modification: an adjustment to the Westwind Barn CIP to reflect the approval of \$109,000 for engineering and architectural design work. Council did not approve the request to remove the matching funds contingency (1:1 match from the Supporters of Westwind Community Barn) on the appropriation of \$880,000 for the Westwind Barn improvements.

5. Notification of Fast Track Approval: LANDS OF MARPLE; 12610 La Cresta Drive (File # 243-07-ZP-SD-GD) A Request for a Site Development Permit for a new 5,506 square foot two-story residence, attached secondary unit and 1,674 square foot basement (maximum height 27'). CEQA review-Categorical Exemption 15303(a)

Standing Committee Chair Ginger Summit explained that she had been contacted by the applicant regarding the location of the required pathway. There was some confusion over the citing of the path. Planning Director Debbie Pedro clarified that the deadline for the applicant to appeal the project was April 2, 2008. She added that if there was a modification to the Pathways Committee's recommendation, the Conditions of Approval would be amended accordingly.

MOTION SECONDED AND CARRIED: Moved by Mordo, seconded by O'Malley and passed unanimously to approve the Fast Track Approval.

6. Approval of Funding for Town Wide Poppy Seed Distribution Project – Parks and Recreation Committee

The item before Council requesting consideration of funding for a Town-wide poppy seed distribution project had been forwarded by the Standing Parks and Recreation Committee. Councilmember Warshawsky requested clarification of the project. He added that it appeared to be an interesting idea but wondered if there was an alternative approach to the distribution of the seeds that could reduce the cost of the proposal. Warshawsky suggested several ideas including inserting the packets in a future Newsletter mailing.

Parks and Recreation Supervisor Eric Christensen offered that he was amenable to investigating different cost-savings approaches to the distribution process.

MOTION SECONDED AND CARRIED: Moved by Mordo, seconded by Warshawsky to approve the project with direction to staff to reduce the costs.

#### PRESENTATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

Jitze Couperus, Los Altos Hills resident, advised Council that the Adobe Creek project had gone to bid and the expectation was for contract to be awarded in April. The ground breaking ceremony for the event was currently scheduled for May 17, 2008.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7. Ownership Status and Maintenance Responsibility for Chaparral Way  
(Continued from 3/13/08 Regular City Council Meeting)

City Engineer Richard Chiu introduced the item to Council. Chiu explained that the status of Chaparral Way had been an ongoing discussion with considerable confusion regarding access rights and road maintenance responsibilities.

Chiu displayed a map of the area with color delineation of the public use easements, pathway easements, private and public sections of the road and roadway easements. The road is approximately 1 mile long, 14 feet wide and mostly unpaved. In 1978, approximately 3,000 feet of public use easement on portions of Chaparral Way was dedicated and accepted by the Town. The easement was not accepted into the Town's road system and therefore the Town did not have a responsibility to maintain the section up to current road standards. The City Attorney's office has advised staff that the Town should perform minimal maintenance within the easement to ensure safe use of the easement and recommended that the Town secure a maintenance easement for the private section adjacent to the 20 feet wide public use easement portion of Chaparral Way. Chiu suggested that this would avoid confusion as to the responsibility for maintenance.

The estimated costs to perform the recommended "minimal maintenance" responsibility work was approximately \$20,000 annually, including \$5,000 for the private road maintenance agreement section. The cost assumed yearly placement of baserock, filling of potholes, removing road blockages, and other miscellaneous work.

Chiu explained that prior to performing any roadway improvements; staff was recommending a survey of the area to verify the location of the roadway relative to the easement. Estimated cost of the survey was \$8,500.

Council discussion:

Council considered the estimate for the minimal maintenance responsibility annually for approximately 3,000 feet was high relative to other road maintenance projects.

Council questioned how many additional roads with similar situations existed in Town. Staff explained they were not aware of any other private roads that were eligible for Town maintenance.

Vice Mayor Mordo questioned what the cost would be to bring the road up to the Town's current standards. Chiu explained that it was a narrow road with steep sides and would cost approximately \$1 million.

#### OPENED PUBLIC COMMENT

Tom McReynolds, Los Altos Hills resident, noted that he had served on the City Council in the 1970's. He provided an historical perspective to Chaparral Way and noted that the policy in 1978 was for the Town not to accept many private roads because they were too dangerous for public use and the Town could not provide the security nor ensure the safety that was required. McReynolds explained that he and his neighbors preferred the road to remain private. The road is very narrow and would not safely accommodate mixed use (pedestrian, vehicle and bicycle). They have maintained their road since 1964 and McReynolds noted that he would be happy to continue the maintenance if the Town exonerated him from liability for maintaining the road. McReynolds explained that the discussion maybe mute because a subdivision was being planned for a property on the street in the near future and the developer might be improving the road at the time of development.

## CLOSED PUBLIC COMMENT

City Attorney Steve Mattas explained that the proposed survey would clearly identify the scope of the easement and define the area where the Town had a minimal maintenance responsibility.

**MOTION SECONDED AND CARRIED:** Moved by Kerr, seconded by O'Malley and passed unanimously to authorize the City Manager to execute a contract with CSG, Inc. to stake out the public use easement portion of Chaparral Way to define the limits of the Town's maintenance responsibility.

### 8. Update on Design Plans for Town Little League Field Renovations (Staff: R. Chiu) (Continued from 3/13/08 Regular City Council Meeting)

Reed Dillingham, project architect, addressed Council. Council had before them the latest design development drawings for site improvements at the Purissima Little League Fields. Dillingham reviewed the plans with Council. Most components were similar to his earlier presentation at the December 13, 2007 meeting. The most notable exception was the re-location of the pathway at the fields. Dillingham had worked closely with the Town's Standing Pathway Committee to resolve the location issue. The pathway had been sited behind the fields with a fence separation. He believed the solution was consistent with the direction of Council and would allow for additional parking at the site, resolve safety issues, and, remove equestrians and pedestrians from the road.

Dillingham summarized the additional design factors for the project. The proposed improvements to the Town's Riding Ring included access to water for riders and horses, tie rack and paddocks. The current "snack shack" would be replaced with a pre-engineered building that would be larger and wider than the current structure. Dillingham noted that he had worked with the Little League on the design detail. The plans also included the parking orientation for overflow parking that would be located at the Town's corporation yard. The lot would be surfaced with base rock and fenced when not in use on game days. Dillingham explained that the new configuration at the fields would provide additional parking for the site.

Dillingham stated that the current estimated cost for the project was \$1,500,000. He noted that this was a preliminary figure and he believed that with value engineering and a prioritization of project features, it could be kept in line with the Council's original budget of \$1,200,000. Dillingham advised Council that he would return with design options if the project were over budget.

### Council Discussion:

Vice Mayor Mordo questioned if bathroom facilities had been considered for the Town Ring and suggested that it would be advantageous to incorporate a bathroom into the plans at that end of the site noting the distance to the other restrooms located at the concession stand. City Manager Cahill explained that staff was investigating the use of an existing structure on site that was part of a cell tower lease.

Councilmember O'Malley advised Dillingham that the Council had been very diligent during the building of the new Town Hall to keep the project on budget and managed to complete the new facility within a 5% overage.

Councilmember Kerr requested a revisit of the bathrooms at the new snack shack. He questioned if two bathrooms were adequate considering their high usage during game days. Additionally, Kerr stated that he would like the plan to include a program that would reduce water use at the site and suggested that an onsite water well might be a solution.

Dillingham responded that efforts to reduce the water use at the fields had been incorporated into the design. Approximately 10% of the turf area had been eliminated and the irrigation system that would be used was technically sophisticated and should address most of the watering issues but most likely would only reduce the amount of water used by 5% to 10%. He concurred with Kerr's goals for greater water conservation and suggested that a well might be the only option to secure a major reduction in water but to date the option had not been investigated.

#### OPENED PUBLIC COMMENT

Standing Pathways Committee Chair Ginger Summit stated that the new proposed path was an excellent off-road solution for walkers and equestrians. She noted that there was also a path on the other side of Purissima.

John Harpootlian, Los Altos Hills resident, Commissioner noted that he had participated in the project meeting discussions on field irrigation as a member of the Environmental Initiatives Committee. The system currently being discussed had the capability of switching to unclaimed water for irrigation if and when it becomes available in the future. Harpootlian advised Council that the current water usage at the fields fell within the allowance of the State's model landscaping ordinance that would go into effect in 2010.

Mayor Jones commented that the most identifiable improvement at the Purissima fields relative to baseball use was the benefit that would be realized by better drainage. The additional improvements were primarily site enhancements that would be enjoyed by all Los Altos Hills residents.

David Rock, Los Altos/Los Altos Hills Little League representative, commented that the proposed irrigation and drainage improvements would improve both the field quality and playability and could also result in water savings. He believed that additional benefits to the proposal included better and safer parking. Rock thanked the staff and architect for including the Little League in the design process.

#### CLOSED PUBLIC COMMENT

Councilmember Kerr requested consideration of solar features being added to the snack shack (concession stand). He suggested that it could serve as a demonstration site.

Council thanked Project Architect Reed Dillingham for the presentation.

9. Consideration of Donations to the Los Altos School District for the Opening of Bullis School (Equipment and Furniture for the Multi-Purpose Room) and to the Bullis Charter School. Donation Amount: \$13,010.57 per School  
(Continued from 3/13/08 Regular City Council Meeting)

Mayor Jones introduced the item to Council. He explained that the funding request before Council had been continued from their last meeting. The previous discussion had focused on an appropriation to fund furniture and equipment for the multi-purpose room at the newly renovated Bullis-Purissima elementary school campus that was scheduled to open in fall, 2008. Jones noted that the new room would be utilized by the Town as a community meeting space. During the previous discussion, Council had suggested that it would be appropriate to include in the funding a matching grant to Bullis Charter School for furniture and equipment given their student enrollment comprised of Los Altos Hills children.

Council discussion:

Councilmember O'Malley stated his opposition to approving town funds for schools.

Councilmember Kerr requested information from the City Manager on the other appropriations the Town had made that would benefit the opening of the Bullis-Purissima campus. City Manager Cahill clarified that the approximately \$267,000 was being spent on infrastructure improvements. This included the rehabilitation of the school's roadway frontage that was part of the Fremont Road rehabilitation project and the traffic calming signals to be located by the campus.

#### OPENED PUBLIC COMMENT

John Harpootlian, Los Altos Hills resident, commented that he was not opposed to the funding but suggested that Council tie the donation to several contingencies including the removal or landscaping of the bunker that had been built in the setback and fronted Fremont Road; and, participation in any discussion to rename the school.

#### CLOSED PUBLIC COMMENT

Vice Mayor Mordo commented that Harpootlian had made several good suggestions but he believed the requests were too late. He suggested that staff continue the dialogue with the District to either remove or mitigate the appearance of the referenced garbage enclosure.

**MOTION SECONDED AND CARRIED:** Moved by Jones, seconded by Warshawsky and passed by the following voice vote to approve donations to the Los Altos School District for Bullis-Purissima School (for the purchase of furniture and equipment for the multi-purpose room) and Bullis Charter School in the amount of \$13,010.57 for each school.

**AYES:** Mayor Jones, Vice Mayor Mordo, Councilmember Kerr and Councilmember Warshawsky



NOES: Councilmember O'Malley  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

Mayor Jones commented that he and staff would continue the dialogue with the School District to attempt to resolve the issue of the structure. Council would be kept apprised.

Councilmember Kerr encouraged the Council to extend an invitation to the Bullis-Purissima Principal and teachers to attend a future Council meeting.

#### TOWN GOALS (10A-10F)

##### 10A. Significantly Enhance Resident Access to Recreational Facilities

- Repair and Restore Westwind Barn to sustain long term viability

Councilmember Kerr updated Council on the fundraising efforts for Westwind Barn. A Wine Tasting Event was scheduled at the Barn on Sunday, March 30th featuring twenty Los Altos Hills vintners. The key purpose of the event was community outreach to increase interest in the fundraising campaign.

- Enhance the Town Little League Fields

##### *Considered as Agenda Item #8*

- Access adjacent recreational assets

Vice Mayor Mordo summarized the most recent discussions on the recreation collaboration proposal that included an exchange of program privileges (equal fees and access to programs) and the publication of a joint recreation brochure. Mordo noted that the City of Los Altos might include a proviso in the agreement that the Town financially contribute to their new pool. Several changes have been made with regards to the pool project previously discussed by Council; most notably, it had been re-located and included in the scope of plans for Los Altos' new civic center. The project could potentially be delayed 3-5 years until Phase II of the project was begun. Staff would be returning to the City Council at a future meeting with a more detailed report on the proposed recreation collaboration. Mordo suggested that the Town's participation in the pool could be revisited when formal discussions of the project had commenced.

Mordo advised Council that the current discussions of the new Los Altos civic center did not include discussion of Los Altos Hills participation.

Council discussion ensued. They concurred that it was critical to include the Standing Parks and Recreation Committee in the discussion of the recreation collaborative and to afford them an opportunity to fully review the proposal prior to being returned to Council for discussion.

Councilmember Kerr expressed his concern about increasing participation in the Parks and Recreation Programs currently at Westwind Barn. He advised that the programs were at maximum capacity and waitlisted.

Mordo noted that there was a similar situation with the environmental camp program offered by the City of Los Altos. Many Town residents have expressed interest in participating in the program but were unable to attend due to enrollment limits.

10B. Return Public Elementary School Education to Los Altos Hills

*Considered as Agenda Item #9*

10C. Develop a Plan for Expanded Sewer Access to More Residents

Councilmember O'Malley reported that the Ad Hoc Infrastructure Committee had scheduled their next meeting for April 8, 2008. They would be reviewing and prioritizing sewer projects. O'Malley noted that they would be returning to Council with more detailed proposals including financing options for two specific projects.

10D. Maintain and Build Off and On Road Pathways Already Approved on the Pathways Master Plan

City Engineer Richard Chiu reported that the Old Altos Road pathway project would be included in the Fremont Road Rehabilitation project. Additionally, staff had met with design professionals to discuss the Taffee Road native path. Some concerns about the steepness of the path had surfaced. Chiu had scheduled a meeting with a second consultant to review options.

10E. Complete the Redrafting and Approval of the Town General Plan

Councilmember O'Malley reported that the General Plan Update was scheduled for a public hearing at the May 8, 2008 City Council meeting.

10F. Complete the Undergrounding Pilot Project

City Engineer Richard Chiu advised Council that the pilot project construction was proceeding. He would keep Council apprised of their progress.

11. Presentation of Proposed Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance AB 1881

Planning Director Debbie Pedro introduced the item to Council and proceeded with a PowerPoint presentation that had been prepared for the previous meeting but continued due to the lateness of the hour.

Pedro reviewed the components of the amendment. The State's proposed amendment to the Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance did not limit lawns or the amount of landscaping that could be installed on a residence but required the efficient use of water. Pedro had prepared a chart of twenty sample properties including the Little League Fields. The chart reflected their 2007 water use and landscaped area of each site and illustrated the formula to calculate the Maximum Applied Water Allowance (MAWA). Of the nineteen residences, 9 properties exceeded the allowable usage which would result in the mandatory annual auditing requirement of the ordinance. The newer homes, with better irrigation systems yet larger landscaping, were mostly compliant with the new

proposed regulations. Pedro noted that if you extrapolated these findings, approximately 270 residences would be required to perform the annual audits.

Pedro advised Council that a letter that addressed the Town's concerns with the proposed ordinance update had been sent during the comment period. The State approved update would go into effect in January, 2009 and the Town would be required to abide by the ordinance or adopt their own ordinance that would be compliant with the State's requirements by January, 2010.

#### OPENED PUBLIC COMMENT

Richard Partridge, Los Altos Hills resident, spoke to his previous experience during drought years. He offered that landscaping can be a substantial investment for people and it would be very difficult to mandate that they remove or replace it or for them to lose it during a water restricted drought. Partridge favored educating people on the issue of landscaping options.

Sue Welch, Los Altos Hills resident, stated that she was very upset with the letter that had been sent by the Town to the State and had sent her own letter. She believed that water consumption was a very serious issue and spoke to the current water problems in the Delta.

John Harpootlian, Los Altos Hills resident, stated that he was glad to hear that the Council concurred that water conservation was an important issue that needed to be addressed. He did not believe that the letter reflected this attitude. He noted that as a Planning Commissioner he has requested additional details on landscaping plans relative to irrigation systems and the proposed plantings.

#### CLOSED PUBLIC COMMENT

City Council discussion:

Mayor Jones stated that this was a very complex issue. The proposed ordinance could potentially be costly to the residents and Town. It was difficult to require people to change existing landscaping and believed that education was critical and the provisions for different options necessary.

Vice Mayor Mordo spoke to his personal situation and efforts that had taken several years to change the methods of irrigation and modify the landscaping that existed when he purchased his home.

Pedro clarified that the Town did want to move forward on water conservation programs but had rejected the ordinance because it was not appropriate for the Town. The "Build It Green" building program that staff would be bringing to the City Council for their consideration at a future meeting included landscaping options that would assist the applicant in meeting the building requirement. They included points for constructing resource-efficient landscapes that included minimizing the installation of lawns, high-efficiency irrigation systems, drought tolerant gardens and minimizing landscaping. Pedro noted that the comment letter had identified the Town's support for water

conservation and our development of a program that would include water efficient landscaping as a requirement for new development.

12. Consideration of City Council Meeting  
(Continued from 3/13/08 Regular City Council Meeting)

MOTION SECONDED AND CARRIED: Moved by Jones, seconded by Mordo and passed unanimously to cancel the April 24, 2008 regular City Council meeting and the June 26, 2008 regular City Council meeting.

The reorganization of the City Council was scheduled for the July 10, 2008 regular City Council meeting with the Mayors' reception scheduled to immediately follow the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

13. Consideration of Renewal of Agreement with the Los Altos/Los Altos Hills Little League

Parks and Recreation Supervisor Eric Christensen introduced the item to Council. Staff requested Council authorization to notify the Los Altos/ Los Altos Hills Little League of the Town's intent not to automatically renew the use and maintenance Agreement for the Town Playing Fields. Staff was recommending several changes to the agreement including modifications to the shared maintenance clause and the sublet clause to the agreement. The amended agreement would return to the City Council for their consideration in May.

OPENED PUBLIC COMMENT

Paul Keller, Los Altos/Los Altos Hills Little League, commented that they had a great working relationship with the Town and were open to revisiting the agreement.

CLOSED PUBLIC COMMENT

MOTION SECONDED AND CARRIED: Moved by O'Malley, seconded by Warshwsky and passed unanimously to authorize the City Manager to send the letter notifying the Little League that the agreement would not be automatically renewed.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

14. Notification of Planning Commission Approval:  
LANDS OF LOS ALTOS HOMES, LLC; 26462 Purissima Road  
(File #166-07-ZP-SD-GD) A Request for a Site Development Permit for a New 10,975 square foot Two-Story Residence, 960 square foot Secondary Dwelling Unit, Swimming Pool and Horse Barn. CEQA review-Categorical Exemption 15303(a) & (e) (Staff: B. Froelich)

Planning Director Debbie Pedro reviewed the Planning Commission's approval of the Site Development application for Lands of Los Altos Homes. Council had before them

the staff report and Conditions of Approval. The Commission had voted 4-1 to approve the project.

#### REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, SUB-COMMITTEES, AND COUNCILMEMBERS ON OUTSIDE AGENCIES

Vice Mayor Mordo updated the City Council on the Day Worker Center of Mountain View's efforts to purchase a permanent site. The Los Altos City Council at their last meeting had approved a \$75,000 donation with the only contingency on the funding an approval of the appropriate Conditional Use Permit for the facility. Mordo note that this met the funding contingency set by the Council for a matching contribution from Los Altos. The City of Mountain View at an upcoming meeting will discuss the feasibility of entering into negotiations with the Center for the lot next door to the proposed site that would be used for the required parking.

Mordo added that the prospects for the project looked favorable. In the near future, he would be encouraging the City of Palo Alto to join in the funding.

#### STAFF REPORTS

City Manager  
City Attorney  
City Clerk

No reports were given.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by consensus of the City Council at 9:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Jost  
City Clerk

The minutes of the March 27, 2008 regular City Council meeting were approved as presented at the April 10, 2008 regular City Council meeting.